GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3160
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ALLOTMENT OF BOOKSTALLS AT STATIONS
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the progress made in regard to allotment of bookstalls to educated unemployed as well as the weaker section of the society as per the new Bookstall policy announced in the Budget;

(b) whether any proposal is under consideration for getting the "B" , "C" and "D" category stations vacated from A.H. Wheeler & Co. in favour of above mentioned categories;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether there is any ceiling limit fixed by the Railways for holding of bookstalls by the Contractors and the number of bookstalls to be held by A.H. Wheeler & Co. and Higginbothams Ltd; and

(e) if so, the details thereof ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU)

(a): As the new Bookstall Policy came into effect from 11.06.2004 the zonal railways are identifying railway stations for allotment of bookstalls to the unemployed graduate and weaker section of the society.

(b): No, Sir.

(c): Does not arise.

(d): No, Sir.

(e): Does not arise.